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For: TYRE REMOVAL MACHINE WITH MANUALLY OR
AUTOMATICALLY POSITIONABLE TURRET

LETTER REQUESTING INITIALED PTO 1449 FORM(S)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

In reviewing the above-captioned application file, the undersigned has noted that even though the Examiner initialed the PTO Form(s) 1449 filed on October 10, 2000, there is a line struck through the reference(s) FR23837 96A and FR15850 25A. This makes it unclear as to whether consideration was given or not.

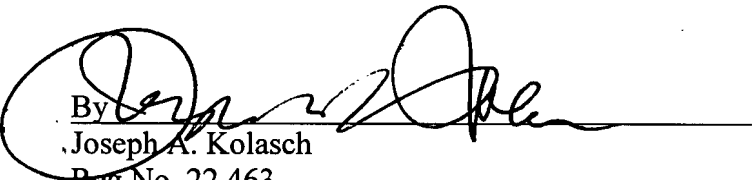
The Patent and Trademark Office therefore is requested to return the initialed form(s) without the strike-through line(s) to the undersigned as soon as possible.

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Respectfully submitted,

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